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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 5, 2002

In response to the office action mailed June 5, 2002 ("Office Action"), please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1-13, 16, and 19-23 without prejudice.

Amend claims 14, 15, 17, and 18 as follows:

Sub D-1  
14. (Twice Amended) A nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide comprises (1) the receptor binding domain of a *Pseudomonas* exotoxin A, and (2) at least three copies of an antigenic peptide sequence.

15. (Twice Amended) A nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide comprises (1) the receptor binding domain of a *Pseudomonas* exotoxin A, and (2) at least three copies of an antigenic peptide sequence comprising SEQ ID NO:1.

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